## ARKANSAS WEATHER AND CROP PROGRESS



\* HARVESTING WHEAT, OATS, HAY AND IRRIGATING CORN, RICE

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**RELEASED**: June 14,1999 3:00 p.m.— Temperatures were again above normal for most the state and most areas having below normal rainfall with scattered showers and storms over the weekend according to the Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service. 6.0 days were suitable for fieldwork. Soil moisture supplies were 4 percent very short, 34 percent short, 58 percent adequate and 4 percent surplus. The main farming activities of the week included planting soybeans and sorghum, harvesting wheat, oats, and hay, flooding rice fields, irrigating corn, and fertilizing corn, rice, and pasture.

**CROPS**: Planting of soybeans, and sorghum was reported by several counties. Herbicides were being applied rice to fields and insecticides to cotton for thrips. Tomatoes were being harvest.

**LIVESTOCK:** Cattle producers continued to market cattle and wean calves. Cattle were given bang vaccinations, treated for external parasites, and were reported in good condition statewide.

## Crop Progress and Conditions

Progress %				Condition %1				
CROP Stage	Current Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
SORGHUM				0	1	41	51	7
Planted	99	99	99					
Emerged	97	97	96					
COTTON				0	2	31	58	9
Emerged	100	99	98					
Squaring	27	28	26					
RICE				0	2	26	50	22
Planted	100	100	100					
Emerged	99	94	97					
SOYBEANS				0	1	39	53	7
Planted	72	77	71					
Emerged	57	65	58					
Blooming	2	5	3					
CORN				0	0	34	50	16
Emerged	100	100	NA					
WHEAT				1	1	15	57	26
Harvested	46	61	33					
OATS				0	0	21	48	31
Harvested	57	79	50					
ALFALFA				0	4	30	62	4
ОТН. НАҮ				0	5	33	55	7
PASTURE				0	7	33	54	6

<sup>1</sup>Condition published after at least 10% of crop has emerged, and continues until 90% of crop has been harvested.

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